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Remarks

Claims 1-70 have been canceled in this application and new claims 71-108 are presented herein in connection with a Request for Continued Examination. Entry and consideration of these new claims, along with reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the Final Office Action issued on December 23, 2003.

With the filing of the Request for Continued Examination, Applicants are withdrawing the present application from Appeal and seeking reopening of prosecution, noting that as of the date of this filing, Applicants are not aware of the issuance of any decision on the pending Appeal.

Support for the new claims 71-108 can be found in the application as filed in, for example, the cited portions of the application as identified in the following table. Applicants reserve the right to establish additional support for the claims in other portions of the application as filed.

<u>Claim</u>	<u>Support</u>
71	p. 2, lines 2-26; p. 4, lines 16-29; p. 6, lines 14-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
72	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-5
73	p. 5, lines 18-22; Examples 1-9
74	p. 4, lines 16-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
75	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-9, 11, & 13
76	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-11 & 13
77	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Example 6
78	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-5, 7, 9, 11 & 13
79	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 6 & 8
80	Figures 1, 2, 5, 6, & 8
81	p. 4, line 31 to p. 5, line 1
82	p. 4, lines 29-31
83	p. 2, lines 2-26; p. 4, lines 16-29; p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; p. 7, lines 1-21; Examples 1-5
84	p. 6, lines 14-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
85	p. 7, lines 1-21; Examples 1-5
86	p. 7, lines 1-21

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87	p. 5, lines 18-22; Examples 1-9
88	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-9, 11, & 13
89	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-5
90	p. 4, lines 16-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
91	Figures 1, 2, 5, 6, & 8
92	p. 4, line 31 to p. 5, line 1
93	p. 4, lines 29-31
94	p. 2, lines 2-26; p. 4, lines 16-29; p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; p. 6. lines 14-20; Examples 1-9, 11, & 13; Figures 1, 3, & 4
95	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Example 10
96	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-5
97	p. 5, lines 18-22; Examples 1-9
98	p. 4, lines 16-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
99	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-11 & 13
100	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Example 6
101	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 1-5, 7, 9, 11 & 13
102	p. 5, line 23 to p. 6, line 2; Examples 6 & 8
103	Figures 1, 2, 5, 6, & 8
104	p. 4, line 31 to p. 5, line 1
105	p. 4, lines 29-31
106	p. 7, lines 1-21; Examples 1-5
107	p. 6. lines 14-20; Figures 1, 3, & 4
108	p. 7, lines 1-21; Examples 1-5

To assist the examination of these new claims, Applicants note that independent claims 71, 83 and 94 generally correspond to canceled independent claims 21, 40 and 56 (respectively), although each of the independent claims now explicitly recites additional features not explicitly recited in the corresponding canceled independent claims.

Applicants also hereby traverse the rejections set forth in the Final Office Action issued on December 23, 2003 and incorporate the arguments presented to address those rejections in the Appeal Brief filed on October 25, 2004 into this response (to the extent they apply to the new claims).

Amendment and Response

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It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims 71-108 are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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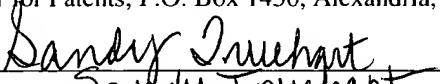
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